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IN PATENT APPLICATION

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I believe that I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which patent is sought on the invention entitled ELECTROLYTE MEMBRANE FOR FUEL CELL AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF, AND FUEL CELL AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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